# Counterpoise

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Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon meets every 2nd Thursday at 7:00 pm at the First Lutheran Church of El Cajon. The address is 867 South Lincoln Ave. Next meeting: September 9, 2010 7:00 pm

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## **Next Meeting**

Speaker: Gordon West , WB6NOA Topic: VHF - UHF Tropo Ducting to Hawaii

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# SANTEE DRIVE-IN

10990 Woodside Ave., North FOR INFORMATION, CALL 449-SWAP Ham Radio, Computers, Electronics ACRES & ACRES OF BARGAINS 1st & 3rd Saturday of the Month GATES OPEN 6:30 AM From The President
Paul KC6QLS



The Constitution and By Laws of the ARCEC, as I previously have stated, is there for a reason and needs to be upheld. I find it very disconcerting that certain individuals have disregarded the By Laws that we have and that they continue to over step, side step, and do whatever they want whenever they want without regard to other Committee Chairs and common courtesy to the General Membership.

I cannot believe how one person would believe and accept another person's gossip as truth without first checking the facts, and rechecking the facts, before posting the gossip as the actual truth or as allegations on any reflector or any email. Receiving gossip as truth and passing it on as the truth without even being at a General Meeting or at a Board Meeting or even living in our general area is hearsay and not even firsthand knowledge. Wow! This leads me to our last meeting...

What a meeting! I had my usual Agenda prepared, complete with "old business", "new business" and the usual "any monkey business" as I have had at every meeting since becoming President in 2006 and expected that I would have left over Agendas to take home as I usually do after each meeting. I have actually attended every General Membership Meeting and Board Meeting and every event for the past seven years, except for the Murdock School Open House and 2010 Field Day due scheduling (was at a SANDARC Meeting during the Murdock event) and health issues (unable to attend Field Day due to medical elevation restrictions as a result of my vision problem).

What a shock when upon everyone being seated after the Pledge of Allegiance there was a motion to suspend the Agenda, followed by uproar and the most chaotic meeting I have ever been to in my entire life. Hostility towards the Board, open



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# Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon

General Meeting Meeting 12 August 2010



President Paul Rios KC6QLS called the meeting of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon to order at 7:00 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a Motion to Suspend the Agenda was made by Steve KO4QT, seconded and carried 33 to 16. A privileged Motion was made by Pat Chambers and seconded by Stogie Panger that the meeting will end at 9:00 p.m. A Division of the House was called and the motion carried 32 to 21.

**Board of Directors announcement was** made by Rich, on behalf of the Board in attendance which was Larry, Pat, Mike, Nick and Stogie. The Board will hold a closed door meeting to investigate the grievances and determine facts. The Board requested that everyone stop all attacks on the Board and others on the Unofficial Reflector and announced that the Board does not conduct Board Business on the Reflector. Discussion. Motion by Richard to let the Board do their due diligence in this matter and make a report to the General Membership so that they can make an informed decision, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don Compton. Joseph - Point of Order. Steve **KO4QT - Privileged Motion to fire the President.** Nick - Point of Order. Tom - Point of Order. The Question was called. Point of Order that calling the question was out of order. Discussion. Stogie moved the previous question. Steve KO4QT - Point of Order. Motion was resended by Richard so now the motion is no longer on the table. Motion by Don Compton to let the Board do their due diligence in this matter and make a report to the General Membership so that they can make an informed decision, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ray. Discussion. The Question was called. Motion carried 33 - 15 for the Board to do their due diligence in this matter and make a report to the General Membership.

President made a statement regarding this is his 5<sup>th</sup> year as President and addressing some of the allegations made against him on the "Unofficial Reflector" by various club members.

He took over the Counterpoise before he was President when no one else would step up to the plate. Regarding the issue of the Domain Name, that was resolved. Regarding the Trailer, that issue is also resolved as previously reported that the tower trailer is, and has always been, registered to the ARCEC, P.O. Box 50, El Cajon, CA 92022. Regarding the Mother Goose Parade 2009 funds, that has already all been previously accounted for and reported and money was spent for an ad in the parade program. Regarding inappropriate allegations, Paul lives with his wife and daughters and has for the entire 25 years of his marriage. Regarding name calling, this is hurtful and harms the club.

Motion by Steve KO4QT to remove the President from office for unsatisfactory performance of his duties and a list of additional allegations, seconded by his wife Linda KI6JUD. Steve read a two plus page list of specific allegations against the President and gave this list to the Presiding Chair, Mike Maston N6OPH, but this list was not given to the Secretary to enter into the Minutes. Discussion. Chuck suggested tabling the motion and let the Board do their due diligence. 9:00 p.m. Meeting to adjourn per the privileged motion, but a motion was made, seconded and carried to extend the meeting another 30 minutes. Discussion. Treasurer handed out a packet to the Board and Presiding Chair, Mike Maston N6OPH, and then he read a list of specific allegations against the Secretary, but the Secretary was not given a copy for the Minutes. Motion by Steve to table his motion for 60 days, seconded by Virgil, and the motion carried. Announcement that speaker next month is Gordon West.

Motion to adjourn by Paul, seconded by Linda, and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ann, KC6TBG, Secretary



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#### CERT FORUMS

"How CERT and Amateur Radio can work together during an emergency"

September 17, 18, and 19, 2010

Sheraton Four Points Hotel 8110 Aero Drive San Diego, California 92123 (858) 277-8888

#### SCHEDULE

East County: 9-17-10 / Fri. at 5:00 to 5:50 p.m. Speaker Monica Zech

El Cajon; La Mesa; Lemon Grove; Santee – (619) 441-1737, mzech@cl.el-cajon.ca.us Lakeside; San Miguel Fire Protection District

Rural East County: 9-17-10 / Fri. at 4:00 to 4:00 p.m. Speaker Stacy Magoffin, KG6VTL

Alpine; Jamul; Boulevard; Ocotillo; Ramona - Richard Elling, KB4HB <u>richard.elling@gmail.com;</u> Julian - Ed Genest W6ABE <u>egenest@wildblue.net;</u> Ron Ozbun KJ6BHR <u>ronaldozbun@att.net</u>

North County: 9-18-10 / Sat. at 2:00-2:50 p.m. Kurt Barnhart, N6MD, Forum Moderator n6md@arrl.net

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Vista CERT, Pat McDonald, KD6PZB, ARCS43@AOL.COM

San Diego: 9-18-10 / Sun. at 9:00 to 9:50 a.m. Speaker Mike Brown, N6GEM

All CERT members are invited to attend the 2010 ARRL Southwestern Division CERT Forums. Come learn how CERT and Amateur Radio can work together to provide effective and successful communications during emergencies and disasters. Learn how you can get your Amateur Radio license to enhance your CERT skills and better serve your local communities. If you are ready to take your Amateur Radio Test, testing will be available. While at the convention, visit the variety of forums on Amateur Radio related topics. If you are new to CERT and/or to Amateur Radio, this convention is a great opportunity to learn about CERT and the diversity of Amateur Radio. Amateur Radio is Fun and there is something for everyone; from emergency services and disaster preparedness, hospital communications, and safety in Amateur Radio to history, DXing (long distance communications around the world) to Amateur Radio on the Silver Screen. Come learn and discovery where you fit in to the world of Amateur Radio.

Registration is available at the door for \$20.00 and includes all three days of the convention. A Registration Form for the San Diego Convention can be found at our website at <a href="https://www.sandarc.net">www.sandarc.net</a>. All convention attendees must be registered.

# Membership Report

Ann KC6TBG



Membership Chair Report August 2010

It has been my pleasure to serve as the ARCEC Membership Chair since September, 2004 when I was appointed by then President Stogie Panger, KG6JCW. At that time, our Badge Vendor was Callier Enterprises. One of my Membership Chair duties is to make a list of new members and give the Badge Vendor a Purchase Order List to make new member badges. Upon receipt of the badges from the Badge Vendor, the Badge Vendor provides an Invoice and receives a check from the Treasurer for the badges he provided. As was reported to the club at the time it occurred in approximately June, 2008, QLS Engraving took over as the Badge Vendor. My Membership Chair duties have not changed. As I receive applications, I generate a Purchase Order List to make new member badges, give that list to the Badge Vendor, and when the badges are given to the Membership Chair for distribution an Invoice is submitted to the Treasurer who then pays the Badge Vendor directly. Since 2004, no Badge Vendor has ever received any payment until the badges have been received by the Membership Chair and an Invoice Submitted to the Treasurer who then pays the Badge Vendor directly. Since 2004 all dues and payments for badges have been given to the Treasurer to be recorded accordingly and all monies are kept in the ARCEC Badge Fund until an Invoice is submitted by the Badge Vendor to the Treasurer who then directly pays the Badge Vendor. Past Treasurers Gary, Stogie and Susan can confirm this process and that they have in fact paid the Badge Vendor accordingly. I hope this clarifies the recent allegations.



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# Individual Dues Membership: \$18.00 per year(\$1.50 per month):

January	\$ 18.00	July	\$ 9.00
February	\$ 16.50	August	\$ 7.50
March	\$ 15.00	September	\$ 6.00
April	\$ 13.50	October	\$ 4.50
May	\$ 12.00	November	\$ 3.00
June	\$ 10.50	December	\$ 1.50 *

<sup>\*</sup>plus \$18.00 for the following year

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January	\$ 30.00	July	\$ 15.00
February	\$ 27.50	August	\$ 12.50
March	\$ 25.00	September	\$10.00
April	\$ 22.50	October	\$ 7.50
May	\$ 20.00	November	\$ 5.00
June	\$ 17.50	December	\$ 2.50 *

<sup>\*</sup>plus \$30.00 for the following year

Ann, KC6TBG Membership Chair



Amateur Radio Convention
September 17, 18 & 19, 2010
San Diego, California
Four Points, By Sheraton Hotel

San Diego

For up to date information about the Convention, please visit us at the website: www.sandarc.net/

# From The Vice President N6OPH Mike



At our August General Membership Meeting I gave one of the shortest reports in the history of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon. It lasted less than 5 seconds. But by now, just about everybody in town knows that the ARRL SW Division Convention will be held at the Sheraton Four Points Hotel on Aero Drive on 17-19 September. All exhibit booths are sold out; speaker's slots are completely filled for Saturday all day and also for most of Friday and Sunday. We should have tons of prizes, convention radio station W1AW/6, grand banquet on Saturday night featuring our guest speaker Chris Imlay, K3KD the General Counsel for the ARRL. He will be giving a special seminar on Saturday morning regarding legal issues involved with the erection of antenna support structure and antennae. With our recent dealings with the San Diego City Planning Commission hearing still fresh on our mind, this is indeed a must attend event. Cities, counties and municipalities are trying to knock down antennae everywhere that spring up. It's very difficult to communicate via amateur radio without the antenna! There is just about something for any amateur radio operator, and it's there for the taking (you will need \$\$\$\$\$ of course).

Also, in September at our own General Membership Meeting, our presence will be graced by none other than Gordon West, WB6NOA, who will give a demo on Tropo Ducting to Hawaii. Everybody knows that Gordo gives an entertaining and informative presentation and no doubt that this will be one as well. Let's make it a point to attend our General Membership Meeting and watch Gordo do his stuff! September is also the beginning of our Membership Drive. As you well know, dues need to be paid by 31 December for 2011 memberships. Now is a great time to renew and be ready for all of the countless activities sponsored by our club.

**WA6BGS Nets** 

Mike Oberbauer: KG6TDP Net Manger
Mike Oberbauer: KG6TDP Net Controller
Frito N6WKB Wide Open Nets
Donut Net

#### **WAMO NETS:**

Wednesday and Saturday Nights 8:00 p.m. local time 7:45 "Early Checkins" This is an open net and all are invited. Early check-ins will be taken.

**Donut Net:** 

Monday, 7:00 p.m.

Bring your Donuts. GOT MILK?

Wide Open Ham Net:

Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

**Frito's Corn Chip Net:** 

Thursday, 7:00 p.m. on 28.435 Mhz USB

Nets held on Club's WA6BGS Repeaters System

RX 147.420 (146.475) 107.2 PL

RX 224.080 - 107.2 PL

RX 445.900 - 107.2 PL

Don't miss it. All members welcome.

WAMO means Worked All Members Only.

The purpose of WAMO is to encourage people to people communication between club members and to publicize the name of the club among fellow amateurs.

# Calendar of Events September 2010

Sept. 4: Swap Meet, Santee Drive In, 6:30 am Sept. 4: T-Hunt, Grossmont College lot, 6:00 pm

Sept. 7: Board Meeting, 7:00 pmSept. 9: General Meeting, 7:00 pm

Sept. 17: ARRL SW Convention San Diego

Sept. 18: Counterpoise Dead Line Sept. 25: Club Picnic "In Lakeside"

## **Upcoming Event Dates**

Oct. 9: Fire Station 6 Open House Oct. 30: Borrego Springs Parade

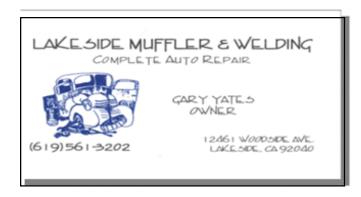


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### **ARCEC Membership Form**

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Check all the apply: ARRL Member ARES	S Member Other						
Would you like to be in the Counterpoise S	Spotlight?  Yes  No						
Would you like to be a member of The Eas	et County Response Team?  Yes No						
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Get your <u>advanced</u> copy by e-mail. I will send it out in .PDF format the night it goes to print. E-mail me and let me know that you would like a copy. Size of file maybe up to 1.5 mb at times.

### **Computer Roster Available**

Want the roster sent to you via e-mail? Send an e-mail to Ann, KC6TBG and she will send you the official roster, which is published in February of each year, as an attachment. The file will be in Excell format. Send your request to 619-593-9445 or KC6TBG@cox.net



# **Birthday**

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Sept 8	N6SUB	Erich	Crosser
Sept 11	KG6WOB	Lyle	Boelter
Sept 12	KJ6BTL	Russell	Graff
Sept 12	KD6AW	Paul	Babcock
Sept 20	N6JOJ	Tom	Myrick
Sept 21	N6NKJ	Rich	Beisigl
Sept 22	N6QU	Martin	Reid
Sept 30	AE6CQ	Michael	Martak
Sept ?	W6AFF	Dick	Hoolihan
Sept ?	KI6TTF	Joseph	Matterson
Sept ?	W6REY	Rey	Armstrong
Sept ?	W6TWM	Theodor	e Mitchell



## **Brain Thinkers**

4 = M. of the B. 4 Members of the Beatles

6 = P. in a P. T. 6 Pockets in a Pool Table

50 = S. in the U. 50 States in the Union ----- This Months

1 = S. the G. T.

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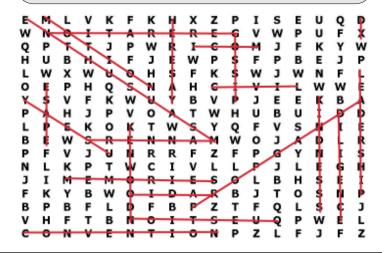
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## **Last Months Word Search**

TOGETHER

MOTION



# President Report Continued

defiance and a general refusal to respect and listen to the Leadership and abide by our club By Laws was the order of the evening. Had the Agenda proceeded as outlined, everyone would have had the opportunity to hear our Vice President/SANDARC Chair/2010 Convention Chair talk about the great show we have planned for everyone at the Convention in September. Then, in the normal, boring and orderly course of club business, very important information would have been conveyed to the General Membership, for example on September 25th is the club picnic, finalizing of the Anza Borrego Parade event, and looking into the 2010 Mother Goose Parade, just to mention a few that were on the Agenda. Had this information been distributed at the meeting, I would not have had to handle emails and telephone calls as this information would have been conveyed at the meeting. Committee Chair Reports would have been presented wherein club members' questions and concerns would have been answered. Then, if there remained any questions, under "new business", it would have been appropriate to bring the motion of the evening. But no, it couldn't have been that simple! For the first time ever I was requested to provide a copy of the General Membership Meeting Agenda prior to the meeting, and then look what happened! It seemed that everyone was a Robert's Rules of Order and ARCEC By Laws specialist that night. Turns out, none of us were. Pursuant to our By Laws, there is a specific procedure to remove anyone from office, beginning with the Board and the Board bringing it to the General Membership, etc. So has the dust settled? I would ask that we all meet in a friendly fashion at the next meeting as we have a great speaker planned, and it would be most unfortunate for the personal agenda of a few to ruin another meeting.

The Board Report, which I usually give, would have been that upon my becoming aware of the address error at the bank, I immediately had my daughter drive me to the bank where I had the

bank address correction made and obtained a letter from Chase Bank dated 8-2-10, which was in fact provided to the Board and read at the Board Meeting by our Vice President, confirming that the bank address for our club is in fact as it should be ARCEC, P.O. Box 50, El Cajon, CA 92022; that all club business mail is to go there; and the Bank Operations Officer verified in her letter that the error in the address was in fact the error and fault of the bank. All this "good news" was already reported and resolved at the Board Meeting.

Further, my report would have quenched rumors that the Post Office Box was lost. As soon as I became aware of the fact that the P.O. Box had not been paid, without pointing fingers or placing blame, I immediately had my daughter drive me to the Post Office, that is after stopping by the bank first to put out that fire, where I promptly paid out of my own pocket for the Post Office Box and reinstated the Post Office Box. In fact, I submitted the Post Office Box Receipt and received a reimbursement check at the Board Meeting to reimburse me for this out of pocket club expense so clearly individuals in the club were aware that this issue had been resolved prior to the 8-12-10 meeting.

At the prior Board meeting I did mention the fact that I have friends in the LA area that I talk to from time to time and receive advice from. However, I never mentioned any names. From the time of the Board Meeting to the time of the General Membership Meeting and from the statements of the individual making the motion of the evening, he alleged that I had lied to theBoard regarding my conversations with individuals in LA as he had asked ARRL Director and Vice Director if I had contacted them and they said no. The ARRL Director and Vice Director were in fact correct as I never contacted them. Somehow an individual, who was not even at the Board Meeting and did not have firsthand knowledge nor hear my remarks, presented



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## The Editor's Corner KC6QLS Paul



#### **Editor's Corner**

I have enjoyed being Editor of the Counterpoise since 2004 when I was appointed under a "last call for volunteers" or the Counterpoise Newsletter will be officially deceased to lack of an Editor. I started the Counterpoise format we currently use at that time from scratch as I did not receive any information regarding the Counterpoise. Essentially, I took over a one or two page, one person opinion Newsletter and it has grown to what it is today. Today's Counterpoise is definitely not a one page one person opinion Newsletter. We have a staff; Officers and Committee Chair's who write monthly reports and columns; guest writers; jokes; a word search; an Ask an Elmer Column where club members questions are answered; fun stories; thought of the day; club calendar; community service announcements; photos and more! I believe the Counterpoise is a well rounded club newsletter with lots of input from club members and columnists. As Editor, I have asked on many occasions for articles and club members' input and that input has been incorporated into the Counterpoise as can clearly be seen by the current staff and writers.

It has been alleged that I "Control" the Counterpoise, which as an Editor is a somewhat true statement because that is the actual job description of an Editor. Everyone knows that most newspapers, magazines, newsletters, yearbooks, etc., only have one Editor, and it is the Editor's job to put everything together into the newsletter. Everyone please note the front page of the Counterpoise and the Disclaimer noted there that states "We also encourage input from members of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon. Opinions expressed are solely that of the author and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon (ARCEC). Articles may be submitted either by e-mail or mail to the editor."

This Disclaimer has been on the front page of the Counterpoise Newsletter, I believe, since the Newsletter began 50 years ago. It has served our club well over the years, and I would ask that all club members keep this in mind when they review the Counterpoise. The official club Minutes are reported in the Counterpoise each month and they contain official club business. The rest of the Counterpoise is for the enjoyment of <u>all</u> of

# **Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers are needed for eveything!

# E-Mail

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# Prize Table Needs Help

Thank you for your contributions to the Prize Table! We still need your Support and Help or it may just end up a thing of the past. Please contact: Floyd Lang AF6BC at 303-6711.

# Things to keep in mind

Check Your Facts, and check them again before you say or post anything!

You will get the latest news about The Club and things going on in the Ham world on the website. www.wa6bgs.org

# Quote of the Month

Healing Starts when the Rose Consumes the Fire.

-L.V. Book of Thoughts

## Food for Thought

Worth a 2nd reading!!!!!

The most devastating force in the world is *Gossip!* 

Lisie KI6EEK



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## More From the President

misinformation and allegations about me. Again, I never stated the name(s) of the individual(s) I talk with. Gossip is harming our club.

Allegations have been made that as President I control the WAMO. However, that is definitely not the case. WAMO Nets are controlled by the WAMO Net Manager and Net Control Operator Mike, KG6TDP. WAMO Reports are submitted for participation points to the Membership Chair by the WAMO Net Control Manager Mike, KG6TDP. The WAMO Certificates are distributed by WAMO Chair Lisie, KI6EEK. As President, the only influence I have over the WAMO is that per out By Laws, I appoint the WAMO Chair, who is selected based upon who volunteers for the job at the time the call is put out for a WAMO Chair Volunteer. Thank you to Lisie, KI6EEK for stepping up to the plate to volunteer when no one else did.

Regarding the issue of badges, all badge money has been given to the Treasurer and all badge money should be in the Treasurer's Records under the Badge Fund. For those club members who are awaiting badges, as soon as the Board decides on the Badge Vendor, the Vendor Chair will give a Purchase Order to the Badge Vendor who will then make the badges, give them to the Membership Chair for distribution, and the Badge Vendor will then turn in their Invoice to the Treasurer to be paid for the badges from the Badge Fund, which currently contains your payment.

As has been cleared up in past Board and General Membership Meetings, all club membership dues, and any and all payments regarding the ARCEC for any purpose, are to be sent to the ARCEC, P.O. Box 50, El Cajon, CA 92022. No ARCEC payments of any kind ever go to any address other than the official club address above.

All members please note that as stated in the 2-11-10 General Membership Meeting Minutes and as published in the Counterpoise and located on our club website, "After the break Paul, KC6QLS reported on the budget and requested a vote for this year's budget. It was moved and seconded that the budget be adapted. The motion carried." In this same Minutes, it states "AUDITOR Mike, N6OPH reported that the books are in good order." In the Secretary's Board File for February 2010 is a copy of the Auditor Report dated 2 January 2010 and this report was given to the General Membership at the 2-11-10 meeting.

Regarding the General Membership's Motion on 7-8-10 for the Secretary to publish the Board Minutes within 14 days of a Board Meeting, since the Agenda was discarded, the membership did not get to hear the thinking behind why the Board Minutes cannot be published within 14 days. First of all, the motion was made at the end of the meeting, discussion was rushed, and as I indicated there are a minimum of four times during the year when the Board Meeting is two days prior to the General Membership Meeting; a perfect example is the month of September. So we would follow this rule 8 times a year and not follow it for 4 times a year. This is the issue that I raised and tried to discuss but people did not fully understand it. Also, people did not fully understand the scope of what they are trying to mandate to the Secretary and that is Secretary job duties that are not outlined in our By Laws. Further, the By Laws do not address posting of Board Minutes on a website prior to their approval, but rather state Minutes are available upon request. In my 7 years of attending Board and General Membership Meetings, this is the first time the issue of requesting Board Minutes has been raised by anyone. So what is the real issue here?

As President of the club, I am sorry for the length of my report, but it is my job to make decisions, put out fires, and see that things run smoothly, hence the Agenda that I have had at every single meeting since I became President. Allowing me as President to do my job and preside over meetings, which is actually my job description as outlined in our By Laws, has allowed our club to maintain order, be successful, grow, become Radio Active, and serve our community. It would serve the club well for members to respect our

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# Chicken Noodle Soup for the Ham Radio Operator's Soul

"FCC Reacts Publicly to Ham Radio Scandal"

Turmoil and change have shaken the ranks of our hobby in recent years. Controversy over incentive licensing, the role of the code, and concern over the dwindling ranks of our hobby have caused angst and sown the seeds of division among hams, young and old. Now, with the spring of renewal in Cycle 24 upon us, it is time for a healing catharsis for our hobby, with "Chicken Noodle Soup for the Ham Radio Operator's Soul".

At a hastily called news conference at **FCC** headquarters in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, well-known Amateur Radio Division Enforcement Chief Hollingsworth K4XYZ spoke to reporters regarding the start of a Commission enforcement effort focusing on an unfolding scandal within Ham Radio. Hollingsworth and others at the Commission have learned through unidentified sources that certain well-known US Amateurs, active within the DX community, have been operating with FCC issued call signs originally assigned to female Hams.

At the start of the news conference, ARRL Spokesperson Terry Jennings-Hargsgood-Bergroyne-Hasselflat provides background to the assembled worldwide press. "A Morse code contact with a stateside-based, female Amateur Operator is considered a relative rarity within the US and worldwide Amateur community. Just under 14% of US Radio Amateurs are female, and few of these Amateurs are proficient in high-speed Morse telegraphy. It is understandable

the excitement generated by the appearance of a female Ham operating high-speed CW."

Jennings-Hargsgood-Bergroyne-Hasselflat adds "However, unwitting European and Asian DX'ers are being lured into high speed CW QSOs with a Ham they think is a 'YL.' In fact, the Ham on the other end of the QSO is an 'OM' or male Amateur Radio operator, pretending to be a 'YL' operating high speed CW. Many of the Ham victims have developed relationships with these 'masqueraders,' on occasion sending a note containing a comment of a personal nature along with a QSL card." When asked about this revelation, Hollingsworth declined to provide details, but "Chicken Noodle Soup" has learned that on at least one occasion, an unsuspecting Ham has sent a photograph along with a note containing "comments of a complimentary nature" to the Ham in question. Many of the affected Hams who have corresponded with the "YL" Hams are crestfallen, having learned that a relationship they have cultivated over Amateur frequencies was in fact, a sham.

"This is just beyond belief" comments an angry Hollingsworth to an assembled world media gathered at Gettysburg. "One of the principal reasons for the existence of the Amateur Radio Service is to promote international goodwill through Amateur Radio. The more the Commission has learned about these incidents, the more we suspect there may have been several Hams who may have had their hearts broken by this ruse." Hollingsworth continues: "The Commission is committed to a policy of 100% honesty in QSLing," referring to a recent ARRL modification of the 1929 "Amateur's Code" which includes the admonition to "Never



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# Chicken Noodle Soup Continued

coperate in a way as to lessen the pleasure of others" and was recently revised to include "Never act to deceive when completing a QSL card."

Reached for comment in Paris, the President of Union Francaise Radioamateurs, The French National Amateur Radio organization, responded to the scandal, which has hit French Amateurs particularly hard. President Jacques Dumir F5IMF seemed to sum up the sentiment within the European Ham community. "Our hearts are broken," a sad-faced Dumir exclaimed to assembled reporters. "French Radio Amateurs do not welcome this development. I join with my countrymen in condemning this despicable practice of masquerading as 'YL DX' while contacting French Radio Amateurs. The French are not accustomed to surrender and will not surrender to the forces of darkness within our hobby," a veiled reference to past criticism leveled at French military leaders who have been accused of surrendering in wartime enterprises. "This act strikes at the pride of all French and European Amateurs, and French DX'ers, in particular." As if to emphasize his distaste for the practice, which started the scandal, Dumir called upon the U.S. FCC to "...end this deceptive practice, which mocks the relationship between women and men in our hobby."

In his closing remarks, Dumir pleaded "Have not the French suffered enough?" a reference to the "Boycott France" campaign, the result of US negative reaction to French opposition to US diplomacy at the United Nations. The boycott influenced Ham events, with the snack concessions at Dayton Hamvention® changing the name of "French fries" to "Freedom Fries®," sparking poodle-like howls of protest among French Radio Amateurs at Dayton.

At League headquarters in Newington, QST Editor David Sleeper K1ZZZ seemed to downplay the impact the scandal might have on sales of antique QSL cards and memorabilia containing the greeting '88's', a Ham shorthand for "love and kisses," common on QSLs sent by authentic "YLs". "We have no reason to believe these 'forgeries' are widespread within the Ham community. Rather, we suspect they are limited to a few suspected Ham DX'ers." Responding to reporters' questions regarding the League's liability in "forged" QSLs handled by the outgoing QSL Bureau, Sleeper moved to quickly dispel any notion of ARRL liability in handling the QSLs in question. Sleeper did hint that the League may offer it's services in directing affected overseas Hams to "Ham Radio Psychological Counselors" under "Psychological Help for Hams®" program which includes a widely-used hot line for exclusive use by U.S. Hams who operate DX contests.

"Chicken Noodle Soup for the Ham Radio Operator's Soul" will keep it's readers informed as this scandal unfolds.

**Morris AZ6CW** 

# Extra Class Schedule

Sept. 14 Sept. 21

Sept. 28

Oct. 12

Oct. 19

Oct. 26



# From The Vice-President Continued

October is when we select our Nominations Committee. To say that we need volunteers would be an understatement. Volunteer to be on the Nominations Committee. Volunteer to run for office or for the Board. Volunteer to help out during Field Day. We truly need you and you will find that it's fun to boot! I have been a member of this organization since 1986 and for ten years did nothing but attend the meetings and intermittently attend a few Field Days. In 1996 I volunteered to run for office. I felt the need to give back to our club for all of the activities afforded me for ten years. Now I have volunteered for not just many of the club activities but for other organizations as well. Nobody is asking that you overextend yourself (as I have) but lend a hand and you will find out how much FUN Amateur Radio can be.

Michael Maston, N6OPH Vice President Amateur Radio Club of El CajonDo you know

# WAMO Report

WAMO #1768	Ruth Pattin, KJ6GRL
WAMO #1792	Joseph Matterson, KI6TTF
WAMO #1793	Joseph Matterson, KI6UPY
WAMO #1797	Cheryl Matterson, KJ6BFS
WAMO #1798	Margaret Matterson, KJ6BFT
WAMO #1799	Heather Matterson, KJ6GOO
WAMO #1840	Daniel Warner, KJ610B



## **Be Radio Active**

## What does that Mean?

- **B** Be Prepared
- E Enthusiastic
- R Respectful
- A Accountable
- **D** Dedicated
- I Initiative
- O Optimistic
- A ARRL
- C Clubs
- T Technology
- I Involved
- V Volunteer
- **E** Education

# NEW WAMO E-MAIL ADDRESS

WorkAllMembersOnly@gmail.com

# Lighter Side Of Hamming

### It is what we do Best

I had the day off from work and the kids where all in school so I drove to the park. As I pulled into the family's favorite spot, because it is the HF DX hot spot and the view is the best in the whole park, I turned on the mobile radio to 20 meters 14.268 MHz. I heard a QSO and one was about how the B-17s in WW II would fly in formation and have about a total of 200 guns in its collective to shoot down enemy fighter planes. The goal of the enemy fighter pilots was to break up the B-17 formation and pick them off one by one so long as they stayed together they were strong. As they were telling the story, you could close your eyes and visualize the action in your mind. One of the guys said he lost one of his best friends in a B-17 on one of the bombings missions. They signed up together and trained right after Pearl Harbor. Then they were shipped off overseas in the same squadron of B-17s.

The QSO ended, so I moved the dial up and down and heard some other QSO's going on but, not quite as interesting as the B-17 one. I opened up my lunch bag and started to eat my BLT sandwich when all the ducks and geese started to swam around the truck. They were making such a fuss over not a thing I could see. Then, a call came over the HF just a little off the frequency I was parked on. It was someone calling for help! I dialed it in and tried to answer back. The ducks and geese were making so much noise that the person heard only the carrier. I tried to move the truck, but the darn birds followed me and kept making a fuss. I heard the call of help again; it was a KD4 call. His audio was clear, but those birds kept making a fuss. The Park Ranger was making his rounds and stopped by and told me to stop feeding the birds or they will keep pestering you. I told him I was not feeding them. I had some emergency traffic on the radio. He leaned into the truck and started to listen to the radio. The KD4 station called again. I answered back and asked him the nature



of his emergency and how could I help. He said, "This is Glenn in Ozark, Alabama and we are having a heat wave and power and the phones are out. His wife is having heatstroke and she is fading fast. CAN YOU HELP ME!" The Park Ranger got on his radio and called dispatch that he had some priority traffic and needed some assistance. I got Glenn's address and the information on how to get to his QTH. I'll tell you, he was out in the sticks. I gave the Ranger the information and we stayed on the radio with him until we heard the sirens in the background on his last transmission.

All through the emergency traffic call, the darn birds kept fussing. The Ranger even threw my sandwich at them and tried to chase them off, but they kept coming back. It was like we were the B-17s trying to do our mission and the birds were the enemy fighter pilots pecking at us to make us go away. The Ranger, Glenn and I stayed in formation and won this battle. About a week later, I got a QSL Card in the mail, it read, "Thank you for your help. The doctor told me if help had arrived any later, she would not have made it."

I still go to that park from time to time, and the Ranger stops by every time he sees me and takes a break from his daily routine and listens to my HF radio. The birds have since moved on, and I can get back to the reason I got into Amateur Radio in the first place, to have FUN and help others in the time of need.

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# Even More!!! From The President

leaders and follow our By Laws so that we can continue in our efforts to have FUN and Promote Amateur Radio in our community. I know that I jokingly ask for "monkey business" but I sincerely hope there is no more of this type of "monkey business" at future meetings. I would ask that each and every member respect our club procedures and respect our club By Laws and that you allow me to do my job as President so that we can accomplish the tasks and reports which need to be addressed at our General Membership Meetings.

I know that we have a number of new club members who are full of enthusiasm and ideas, and your thoughts and ideas are always welcome, but the appropriate time and place to bring them up, without disruption of the entire club meeting, is under "new business". That is why this is, and has always been, on the Agenda. And as I recall, the order of the club meetings was set when I became President over 4 years ago at the request of the then new and enthusiastic members with new ideas, who really didn't care too much about the boring "business" portion of the meeting, but rather came to meetings for the presentation, camaraderie, FUN and donuts and who wanted to get out early for whatever their personal reasons were. Hence, the "business" portion of our meeting is after all these things.

For those who continue to be enthusiastic and have new ideas, please be sure to stay for the "new business" portion of our meeting, where you are welcome to share your thoughts. Generally, ideas are presented, discussed, and if there is an interest, a committee would be appointed by me, the President, and according to our By Laws the committee would look into the idea and report back at the next meeting under "old business". Depending on that committee report and the response by the General Membership, that "old business" would then either move forward to the Board for consideration or die due to lack of interest at that time. Now, to all you new members, this procedure stuff is new, but to all of us who have been around for a while, I hope this will jog our memories as to how we can all best work together and effectively to move our club down the right path, and down the path of least destruction.

Hope to see you all at the next meeting.

73,

Paul Rios, KC6QLS President

## More From the Editor

our club members. I believe we have been on, are presently on, and continue to be going down the right path with our club newsletter, the Counterpoise.

Again, I would like to thank the club for the opportunity to be the Editor and to help the Counterpoise to grow and to add the staff, columnists, stories and articles that we have in our newsletter today; to thank all the staff and writers who dedicate their time and efforts to our newsletter; and to thank the club membership for their understanding that the job of the Editor, by its very nature, puts the Editor in "Control" of the Counterpoise.

73, Paul Rios, KC6QLS Editor

#### **Public Relations**

Due to circumstances beyond my control at the General Membership Meeting, I was unable to inform you of the following upcoming activities. September through December are some of our busiest months being in the public eye and promoting Amateur Radio and being "Radio Active". The club picnic is scheduled for September 25th where we meet at Lindo Lake Park, set up our Tower Trailer, run a radio station, invite others at the park to join us talking on the radio, and share good food and great chili with Hams. Also, this year we have the 2010 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention at the Four Points Hotel in San Diego from September 17, 18, and 19th. This promises to be quite an event and we hope to see everyone there.

In October we have the Fire Station 6 Open House where we again deploy our Tower Trailer, make wooden keys with the kids, talk to parents and promote Amateur Radio to the public. At the October General



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# More From Public Relations

Membership Meeting is our Annual Home Brew Contest where members have an opportunity to share their projects with the club. Towards the end of October on the 30<sup>th</sup> is the Anza Borrego Parade where a few members brave the heat to participate in about a two block parade to again promote Amateur Radio in the Community. It is always a lot of Fun and they seem to appreciate our participation in their parade.

In November is the Mother Goose Parade. If you look real close with a magnifying glass, you will see Mike, KG6TDP walking next to our float as we were directly behind the Mother Goose on the Front Page of the Daily Californian last year. Again, this is another Fun event for everyone.

In December is our last Holiday Party where we meet at the Hometown Buffet in El Cajon for food, camaraderie, and buttonhole QSO's with many folks we do not see at regular meetings. It is also a time to put a face with the voice we hear weekly on the WAMO and other Nets. We have our Annual Participation Points Drawing and the Ham of the Year is announced.

If you want to volunteer for any of these events, please contact me at <a href="mailto:kc6qls@cox.net">kc6qls@cox.net</a>.

It has been alleged that I "Control" PR. This would be a somewhat true statement in that the Public Relations position and/or Public Information Officer's position is usually a one person job. One individual, usually at the direction of the individual in charge of an organization, is in charge of public relations so that true and correct information is given to the public and rumors and personal opinions are not stated as facts. As seen at our last General Membership Meeting, misinformation is extremely harmful and can destroy our club. I would ask that all members refrain from gossip but rather look to the facts of our club as outlined in the General Membership Meeting Minutes, approved by our General Membership at meetings, and presented in our monthly newsletter "The Counterpoise".

73, Paul Rios, KC6QLS Public Relations

# More From Membership Chair

At the 7-6-10 Board Meeting, one Board Member responded to an inquiry and stated that the Badge Vendor process the club has been using is fine, except that as the Membership Chair was appointed to be Secretary on 3-2-10, we need to take four steps to avoid any conflict of interest: 1. The Badge Vendor cannot collect money for badges nor discuss badges with anyone but the Badge Vendors Chair; 2. Vendors Chair must give a purchase order to the Badge Vendor; 3. Prices must remain the same or be below other vendors and must check prices at regular intervals to insure they are competitive; 4. Any motions to make badges cannot be made by Badge Vendor and the Badge Vendor must abstain from any votes regarding the Badge Vendor.

In order to be in compliance with the Board, as the Membership Chair, I did the following. On 7-8-10 the entire petty cash fund, which consisted of \$25.00 in \$1.00 bills, was returned to the Treasurer at the General Membership Meeting in the presence of Rich, N6NKJ, a Board Member. On 7-11-10 the Membership Chair emailed a report to the President, who forwarded it on to the Board, explaining the steps taken to avoid any conflicts. Specifically, a list of members who paid the ARCEC for badges but the badges have not been ordered nor made due to equipment being down since February was provided; a list of members who signed up for badges but have not yet paid for them was provided, and a list of the individual who requested a replacement badge was provided. As has been the practice since 2004, all badge money paid has been given to the Treasurer and the Treasurer presently has all monies paid for badges to date, which should already have been noted in the Treasurer's Records under Badge Fund. The Board indicated they have to get price quotes to determine if they will keep the current Badge Vendor or go



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# More From Membership Chair

with another Badge Vendor so the members who are awaiting badges are now in limbo pending that process. The Badge Vendor has not discussed badges with anyone and the foregoing is the action taken by me as the Membership Chair in order to be in compliance with the Board's direction at the 7-6-10 Board Meeting. Clearly, all Board Members are aware of this information. Had I, as the Membership Chair, been given the opportunity to give my report at the 8-12-10 meeting all of this would have been cleared up. In fact, the individuals bringing all of the allegations against the President and Secretary were already aware that all of the foregoing action was taken to resolve any potential conflicts. It is unclear why certain individuals continue to make false statements and reports to club members both at club meetings and on the "Unofficial Reflector", but clearly these actions were already taken and any potential conflict was already resolved by the Board prior to the 8-12-10 meeting.

One of my duties as Membership Chair is to distribute the Roster. The Roster was distributed in February 2010 to those members who paid their dues during the Membership Drive and signed up to get a copy of the Roster at that time. Due to the present climate in the club and recent misuse of the Roster, I have not given anyone a current Roster. When I sent out the Rosters in February, I put a "Confidentiality Cover Sheet" on it to insure privacy of our club members' information. Unfortunately, that Roster appears to have been "leaked", "reformatted", posted on an "Unofficial Reflector" and other information that as Membership Chair and in my judgment I would consider to be confidential, is being distributed and posted by individual(s) who are not the Membership Chair. This is a problem. For the past 50 years our club has run very smoothly by following our By Laws. Our By Laws establish Committee Chairs to divide tasks and avoid

issues such as we presently have. Each Committee Chair's job is to run their Committee and do their job only. When others interfere, conflicts arise. The distribution of the Roster and members' privacy issues will have to be discussed by the Board at a later date. While it is "Tradition" to provide yearly Rosters, and I love "Tradition", the By Laws are silent on the issue. Therefore, I will not distribute any more Rosters until after the Membership Drive and after the Board has had an opportunity to address member privacy issues and recent misuse of the Roster. Based on "Tradition" the next Roster would be due in February 2011, but again the Board has some issues to address in this regard. Again, had I, as the Membership Chair, been given an opportunity to give my Membership Report at the 8-12-10 meeting all of these issues would have been cleared up. Also, had I, as the Membership Chair, been given the opportunity to give my report at the 8-3-10 Board Meeting, all of these issues would have been cleared up. However, due to a 9:00 p.m. time constraint at the Board Meeting, I did not have an opportunity to give my report. As a result, all of the comments, allegations, postings, etc. that have gone out have been based upon speculation of the individuals posting their personal assumptions and opinions. Chair Reports are given at Board and General Membership Meetings. As the Board does not conduct business on any reflector(s) nor at any other time in between the Board and General Membership Meetings, this is my official Membership Chair Report.

I would appreciate if all club members would personally read and review all of my Membership Chair Reports as stated in the Counterpoise and found on our club website since I took over the job in 2004. There, club members can read and learn accurately, firsthand, what has transpired regarding membership dues, etc. Please pay particular attention to the 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 Reports. Also, please review all of the General Meeting Minutes in these same Counterpoises. There you will see clearly



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# More From Membership Chair

described the present Membership Drive process and reasons for same which have been fully explained, voted on, approved, etc., to the General Membership. Any questions, please review all the Membership Chair's Reports and the Minutes in each of those Counterpoises again as that is where you will find answers to all of your questions. New Members will find answers to all of their new questions; Returning Members will find answers to what has happened while they have been gone from the club; and current members will refresh their memories as to what the club has been doing for the past four years. Everything is above board, up front and clearly recorded in the Official Club Newsletter and in the Official General Membership Meeting Minutes and officially reported in the Membership Chair's Column.

Again, I would ask that all members please look to and read our Counterpoise and the Official **General Membership Meeting Minutes of our** Club for the truth, and so that you can personally read and be informed, before listening to questions and gossip, making accusations, believing rumors, and voting to dismiss the leadership before you have even heard the reports of the leadership due to your voting to suspend the Agenda. Voting to suspend the Agenda caused a lot of problems because the General Membership did not get to hear the reports of the club leaders and Committee Chairs. I can only hope that this does not happen again as all could have been avoided by proceeding with the normal course and scope of club business, including allowing the leadership and Committee Chairs to give their reports so that you could be fully informed instead of just listening to the opinions of a few.

The present Membership Drive will be from September 1, 2010 to December 1, 2010. The only difference will be that you will pay your money to the Treasurer at a meeting, and you must submit your renewal receipt and

application to me, the Membership Chair, at the same meeting to be recorded and to pick up and sign for your ticket for the drawing. In order to be officially renewed in the ARCEC, everyone has to submit a legible, fully completed application to the Membership Chair. Everyone has to sign for their ticket. All Membership Payments are to be paid to the Official Address of the ARCEC: Attn: Membership Chair, ARCEC, P.O. Box 50, El Cajon, CA 92022. All mail is picked up and distributed at Board Meetings. At that time, the Treasurer receives your checks and the Membership Chair receives your Application and both individuals will record the data accordingly pursuant to their job description, i.e., the Treasurer records the financial data and the Membership Chair collects and records the application data for the Roster. As the appointed Membership Chair, I will continue to do the Membership Chair Job as I have since 2004.

Lastly, ARCEC Membership Chair Statistics from 2004 to 2010 are included in this issue of the Counterpoise and are also posted on our club website. Everyone is invited to review the statistics to see how are club has, is, and continues to grow. Look at how many club members are attending monthly meetings and how "Radio Active" our club has become as evidenced by the number of club activities we have and the number of community events that we participate in. Our club goals have been met as we continue to promote Amateur Radio in our community and work with our served agencies so that we will all be prepared in case of any emergencies that may arise.

73, Ann, KC6TBG



# From the Desk of Monica Zech PIO City of El Cajon

### Have A Safe Labor Day Weekend!

On Monday, September 6th, it's Labor Day! All City offices will be closed in observance of the Labor Day holiday. Don't forget, if your plans include alcohol consumption please plan ahead for a sober designated driver. This is considered one of the top most dangerous "driving" weekends of the year due to drinking & driving. Let's buckle-up for the ride and drive safely!

#### **Chaldean Festival This Weekend**

Coming up on Labor Day Weekend, September 4th & 5th, a Chaldean Cultural Festival at the Prescott Promenade is planned! Enjoy music, dance, entertainment, food and non-food vendors with your \$5.00 admission. With your admission, you'll be given a voucher toward a \$5.00 purchase at the event. Hours are Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., and Sunday from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. For more information please call (619) 212-6888.

# Concerts On The Green Series Extended Through September 24th!

The El Cajon Community Development Corporation have extended their Concerts On The Green for 2010 through September 24th! Concerts are held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and this coming Friday, September 3rd, it's FX5 playing rock and roll music. This popular musical event will be held at the Prescott Promenade located on East Main Street, between Claydell and Magnolia Avenues. Enjoy dinner downtown before the concert and make it a great Friday night!

\*The three additional concerts - September 10th - Theo & The Zydeco Patrol, September 17 - Scott Martin Latin Soul Band and September 24th - Smoke Staxx.

# First Friday Specials Downtown (SEPTEMBER 3rd) Includes The Knox House Museum

First Fridays of the month in downtown El Cajon means special pricing at various businesses and restaurants. This Friday it also means a special visit to the Knox House Museum! The Knox museum will be open Friday evening, September 3rd, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., as part of El Cajon Community Development Corporation's downtown First Friday events. Learn the exciting history of the City of El Cajon. Light refreshments will be served in the downstairs area of the museum. The Knox House will then be open for normal tours the next day on Saturday, September 4th, from 12:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. The Knox House is located at the corner of Magnolia and East Park Avenue at 280 North Magnolia Avenue in El Cajon. For more information please call (619) 444-3800 or visit www.elcajonhistory.org.

# Shake, Rattle & Roll Theme At The Next El Cajon Car Show

Tonight's car show theme is Starz Carz! Next week...It's time to Shake, Rattle & Roll at the next Cajon Classic Cruise on Wednesday, September 8th! This family event is free to the public and located on downtown's East Main Street, near Magnolia Avenue. Enjoy the beautiful cars, hot motorcycles, and all the fabulous restaurants, street vendors, and live entertainment. Car shows are presented by Sycuan Casino and the El Cajon Community Development Corporation. For more information on the Cajon Classic Cruise call the El Cajon CDC at (619) 401-8858, or visit them online at <a href="https://www.downtownelcajon.com">www.downtownelcajon.com</a>.

# <u>Prescription Drug Drop Off Day Set For September 25th In El Cajon</u>

As part of National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day the El Cajon Police Department and La Mesa Police Department, working in conjunction with the Drug Enforcement Administration, are hosting a prescription drug drop off site on Saturday, September 25, 2010, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the Kaiser Permanente parking lot, 250 Travelodge Drive in El Cajon. El Cajon and La Mesa Police Officers and DEA representatives will staff the site. Bring your outdated, unused or

# More From the Desk of Monica

unwanted prescription pills, ointments, or liquids; no questions asked. This will be a drive-through operation. The public will drive into the lot, hand their medications to the law enforcement personnel, and then continue back out onto the roadway. For more information go to <a href="https://www.americanmedicinechest.com">www.americanmedicinechest.com</a> or call (619) 579-3325.

# Parent Forum On The Safety Of Childhood Vaccines In East County

A Parent Forum will be held addressing the Safety Of Childhood Vaccines on Wednesday, September 22, 2010 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the El Cajon Library. It will located in the Community Room, 201 East Douglas Avenue in El Cajon. Featured speakers include: Mark Sawyer, MD, Professor of Clinical Pediatrics and a Pediatric Infectious Disease Specialist at the UCSD School of Medicine and Rady's Children's Hospital in San Diego and Eric Courchesne, PhD, Professor of Neurosciences at the UCSD School of Medicine and Director of the UCSD, Autism Center of Excellence.

Discussion topics include: childhood immunizations and schedule, infectious diseases, vaccine safety, and the latest in autism research. Parents will be invited to ask questions and dialogue with the event presenters. This is a free event. Light refreshments will be provided. Childcare will be offered onsite. Translation in Spanish and Arabic will be available. To register please send an email to Tania Farley at <u>Tania.farley@sdcounty.ca.gov</u>. Add Parent Forum Registration in the Subject line if responding by email. You may also call in your registration by phone at (619) 692-8247. Registration is highly recommended.

# Have You Made Your Appointment Yet? Give The Gift Of Life!

You can give the "gift of life" at the annual City of El Cajon Blood Drive on Thursday, September 30th, from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on W. D. Hall Drive, adjacent to the City Hall Complex. To make an appointment please call (619) 441-1716.

Disaster Preparedness Information & Sign Up for AlertSanDiego - Spread the Word!

http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/Portal/News/ 2010/Sep/090110alertsd.html

Register now to receive alerts on your cell phone in an emergency. Encourage family and friends to do the same.

# Sign Up To Be An El Cajon Police Senior Volunteer

Retired? Have some extra time on your hands? The El Cajon Police Department is looking for seniors, ages 50 and above, who are interested in becoming a member of the Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol (RSVP). This wonderful program offers exciting opportunities for senior citizens of our community to serve with the Police Department in various areas as they strive to enhance community safety through crime prevention and education. This and other programs offered in the City, help to improve the quality of life in our community. Please contact Volunteer Coordinator Sue Carpenter for more details about the RSVP program at (619) 579-3354.

Note: Please keep me informed of your community events by placing me on your mailing or e-mail list. If you have an event in the City of El Cajon that you would like to share, please contact Monica Zech, Public Information Officer for the City of El Cajon, via e-mail at mzech@ci.el-cajon.ca.us, or send to: Monica Zech, Public Information Officer, City of El Cajon, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, CA 92020.

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# **Membership Statistics**

### ARCEC GENERAL MEETINGS 2010 ATTENDANCE REPORT

DATE	MEMBER	VISITOR	TOTAL	<u>TOPIC</u>		SPEAKER	<u>.</u>
1-14-10	68	5	73	Red Cross		Bob Birch,	KG6RGT
2-11-10	80	10	90	Sharpening your ENG	COMM Skills	M. Woll, N6V	T; D. Norton,
N6AA 3-11-10	75	12	87	Defibulators		Paul Schmie	dt, K6PKS
4-8-10	63	6	69	State of ARRL in	San Diego	Steve Early	, AD6VI
5-13-10	60	6	66	DXpedition to Jer	rsey Island	Wild Bill, V	WB6BFG
6-10-10	49	4	53	Field Day		Mike Maste	on, N6OPH
7-8-10	46	4	50	How to Solder		Virgil Patti	n, K6VP
8-13-10				2010 ARRL Conv	vention	Mike Maste	on, N6OPH
9-10-10 WB6NOA						Gordon We	est,
10-8-10							
11-12-10				Homebrew Conte	st		
12-10-10				Elections			
201	2010 attendance average to date is <u>69</u> per meeting						
MOBILE 100° ANTENNA TOWER TRAINING (5-15-10) 25 Members 0 Visitors Total 25  FIELD DAY PREP ANTENNA PARTY (5-16-10) 17 Members 0 Visitors Total 17  SANDRC SANTEE STREET FAIR BOOTH (5-29-10) 6 Members 0 Visitors Total 6  WILD LAND FIRE SAFETY TRAINING (5-15-10; 7-29-10; 6-12-10) 2/2/2 Members 0 Visitors Total							
	S BEST BOOTH		DEL MAR		Members Members	2 Visitors / Visitors	Total <u>07</u> Total /
	A PARTY ( (DEL MAR) FAIR	) SANDARC BOO	<u>) TH</u> (6-11-		Members _/	/_ Visitors	Total 26
FIELD D 6-25-10 F 6-26-10 S 6-27-10 S	Sat. 40 Mc	embers 5	A TOW Visitors Visitors Visitors	Total <u>27</u> (2 I Total <u>45</u> (7 I	Kid Members	s)	
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<sup>\*2010</sup> Membership Drive - <u>All Dues Now Due Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> Each Year</u> \*Paul KC6QLS President - Fifth Year (Mike Maston, N6OPH Vice President - First Year)

#### ARCEC GENERAL MEETINGS 2009 ATTENDANCE REPORT

DATE	MEMBER	VISITOR	TOTAL	<u>TOPIC</u>	SPEAKER
1-8-09	56	8	64	CERT/Budget	Monica Zech/PIO
2-12-09	56	2	58	Ham Radio on the Silver Screen	Paul Rios, KC6QLS
3-12-09	57	6	53	Collecting & Restoring Radios of the Past	Pat Bunsold, WA6MHZ
4-9-09	54	4	58	PSK on Running/ARRL in San Diego	Andre Hansen K6AH/ Steve Early AD6VI
5-14-09	66	7	73	Tuning Your Antenna & Hands On Portion	Steve Weed, KO4QT
6-11-09	63	5	68	Field Day/Hand Out T-Shirts & ARRL Pin	s Steve Weed, KO4QT
7-9-09	47	6	53	Satum/CNL; Field Day Video by W6GRK	N4MDM; and N9QO
8-13-09	58	7	65	NCVEC Conference Report	Mike Maston, N6OPH
9-10-09	57	11	68	I Love My Neighbors	Jonathan Kramer, W6JLK
10-8-09	51	5	56		Gordon Shackelford, AE6QW
11-12-09	65	8	73	Homebrew Contest	
12-10-09	66	4	70	Elections	

#### 2009 attendance average to date is 63 per meeting

FIFI D DAY (WITH 100' ANTENNA TOWER)	Included	in Total	
SAN DIEGO (DEL MAR) FAIR SANDARC BOOTH (6-12-09 to 6-14-09)	15 Members	_/_/_ Visitors	Total <u>15</u>
FIELD DAY ANTENNA PARTY (5-15-09)(6-20-09)	_/_ Members	_/_ Visitors	Total _/_
ANTENNA PARTY (5-15-09) (No info provided)	_/_ Members	_/_ Visitors	Total _/_
ARCEC KIDS BEST BOOTH AT SAN DIEGO (DEL MAR) FAIR (6-13-09)	11 Members	4 Visitors	Total 15
WILD LAND FIRE SAFETY TRAINING (5-23-09)	18 Members	0 Visitors	Total <u>18</u>
GET ON THE AIR SEMINAR WITH 100° ANTENNA TOWER (5-16-09)	4 Members	0 Visitors	Total 4

FIELD I	JAI	WITH IOU ANTE	NNA TOWER)	included in Total
6-26-09	Fri.	25 Members	4 Visitors	Total 29 (3 Kid Members)
6-27-09	Sat.	65 Members	36 Visitors	Total 101 (15 Kids/5 Fire Dept. Visitors)
6 20 00	C	24 Mansham	2 Winitam	Total 26 (21/14) (

6-28-09 Sun. 24 Members 2 Visitors Total 26 (3 Kid Members/ARRL Visitor Kurt Barnhart N6MD)

CAL FIRE RED FLAG PATROL (7-4-09)	10 Members	0 Visitors	Total 10
PICNIC WITH 100° ANTENNA TOWER (7-25-09)	39 Members	11 Visitors	Total 50
FIRE STATION 6 OPEN HOUSE WITH 100° ANTENNA TOWER (	10-10-09) 10 Members	0 Visitors	Total 10
HRO APPRECIATION DAY BOOTH (10-10-09)	3 Members	0 Visitors	Total 3
MOTHER GOOSE PARADE (11-22-09)	16 Members	0 Visitors	Total 16
CHRISTMAS PARTY (12-15-09)	60 Members	2 Visitors	Total <u>62</u>
CREST PARADE (7-4-09)	1 Members	0 Visitors	Total 1
Picnic #2 with 100' Antenna Tower (9-12-09)	44 Members	8 Visitors	Total 52

<sup>\*2009</sup> Membership Drive - <u>All Dues Now Due Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> Each Year</u> \*Paul KC6QLS President – Fourth Year (Steve KO4QT Vice President – Second Year)

#### ARCEC GENERAL MEETINGS 2008 ATTENDANCE REPORT

DATE	MEMBER	VISITOR	TOTAL	TOPIC	SPEAKER
1-10-08	42	0	42	Budget	President
2-14-08	29	2	31	Contesting	John Graf WA6L
3-13-08	34	6	40 *	PSK-31	Ed AI6O; Dan N6ERD
4-10-08	38	3	41	ARRL/CW Keys	Steve Early AD6VI/President
5-8-08	48	1	49	Skywarn/CW Keys	Miguel Miller/President
6-12-08	40	2	42	Field Day/ Software Demo	Steve Weed KO4QT/M. Oberbauer KG6TDP
7-10-08	51	7	58	Handi Hams	Marcia DeRuntz K6GFIX
8-14-08	43	7	50	SANDARC/Field Day Video	M. Maston N6OPH/ G. Kuske W6GRK
9-11-08	43	7	50	Kit Building	John Graf WA6L
10-9-08	52	6	58	DX Presentation	ARRL Marty Wohl N6VI
11-13-08	49	1	50	Homebrew Contest	
12-11-08	55	1	56	Elections/What is Amateur Rad	io Ohio Club Video

2008 attendance average to date is 47 per meeting \*(Counterpoise online and Counterpoise mailing decreased)

WILD L	AND FIF	RE SAFETY TE	RAINING (4-12	2-08)	13 Members	0 Visitors	Total <u>13</u>
ARCEC KI	DS BEST BO	OOTH AT SAN DIEG	GO (DEL MAR) FAI	<u>(6-21-08)</u>	11 Members	7 Visitors	Total <u>18</u>
FIELD I	DAY				Included in T	<u>'otal</u>	
6-27-08	Fri.	27 Members	0 Visitors	Total 27	(4 Kid Members)		
6-28-08	Sat.	45 Members	28 Visitors	Total 73	(8 Kid Members/	5 Boy Scout V	isitors)
6-29-08	Sun.	29 Members	3 Visitors	Total 32	(6 Kid Members)		
CAL FII	RE RED	FLAG PATRO	<u>L</u> (7-4-08)		8 Members	0 Visitors	Total <u>8</u>
PICNIC (A	nnounced got	100' Antenna Tower '	Trailer and we had a T	Γ-Hunt ) (8-9-08)	56 Members	10 Visitors	Total <u>66</u>
FIRE STAT	TION 6 OPE	N HOUSE WITH 100	) 21 Members	3 Visitors	Total <u>24</u>		
FALL FESITVAL WITH 100" ANTENNA TOWER (10-25-08)					13 Members	2 Visitors	Total 15
MOTHE	R GOOS	SE PARADE (1	10 Members	0 Visitors	Total 10		
CHRIST	MAS PA	RTY (12-16-08	64 Members	10 Visitors	Total 74		

<sup>\*2008</sup> Membership Drive - \$100 Prize to Marco Thorne KF6SXZ - All Dues Now Due Dec. 31st Each Year

<sup>\*</sup>Paul KC6QLS President - Third Year (Steve KO4QT Vice President - First Year)

### ARCEC GENERAL MEETINGS 2007 ATTENDANCE REPORT

DATE MEN	<b>IBER</b>	VISITOR	TOTAL	TOPIC SPEAKER
1-11-07	51	1	52	PSK 31 AI6O, KG6TDP
2-8-07	45	4	49	Animal Rescue KE6IER
3-8-07	45	5	50	900 MHZ WA6OSB
4-12-07	45	0	45	Trunking System
5-10-07	43	4	47	Amateur Radio C. Gardenias
6-14-07	47	1	47*	Field Day Vice President
7-12-07	42	5	47	Digital Modes
8-9-07	44	4	48	F.D 4 Videos President
9-13-07	31	3	34	Open Panel J. Graff; R. Norton
10-11-07	38	0	38	3rd Order Range G. Shackelford, AE6QW
11-8-07	41	0	41	Homebrew Contest
12-13-07	42	1	43	Elections

<sup>\*</sup> Plus 1 Visitor Joined

## 2007 attendance average was $\underline{45}$ per meeting

6-22-07 Fri. 6-23-07 Sat. 6-24-07 Sun.	2 kids (2 memb 9 kids (2 memb 4 kids (2 memb	ers) 36 M	embers embers embers	0 visitors 17 visitors 5 Visitors	Total <u>27</u> Total <u>62</u> Total <u>37</u>
PICNIC	32 Members	5 Visitors	Total	37 (approx.6 d	id not sign in)
FIRESTATION	7 Members	1 Visitors	Total 8	<u> </u>	
M.G. Parade	12 Members	3 Visitors	Total <u>1</u>	5	
CHRISTMAS	48 Members	9 Visitors	Total 5	<u>57</u>	

<sup>\*</sup>Paul KC6QLS President - Second Year (Ed Felter, AI6O Vice President - Second Year)

### ARCEC GENERAL MEETINGS 2006 ATTENDANCE REPORT

<b>DATE</b>	MEMBER	VISITOR	TOTAL 7	TOPIC SPEAL	KER
1-12-06	35	1	36	Budget	President
2-9-06	42	1	43	Crest Proposal	Kandhy Franklin
3-9-06	40	2	43 *	Moon Bounce	KF6JBB, K6CYS
4-13-06	33	1	34	APRS	Tuck Miller
5-11-06	39	2	42 **	Skywarn	
6-8-06	29	7	36	Field Day	Vice President
7-13-06	29	4	33	F.D. Video	President
8-10-06	39	5	46 ***	CERT	Stacy Magoffin
9-14-06	41	5	46	Prop Net	Ed Sack, W3NGR
10-12-06	5 41	1	42	Antennas	G. Shackelford
11-9-06	43	1	44	Homebrew	Contest
12-14-06	5 46	0	46	Elections	

<sup>\*</sup> Plus 1 New member

### 2006 attendance average was 40 per meeting

FIELD DAY			
6-23-06 Fri.	27 Members	1 visitors	Total <b>28</b>
6-24-06 Sat.	30 Members	10 visitors	Total 40
6-25-06 Sun.	25 Members	4 Visitors	Total <b>29</b>
<u>PICNIC</u>	44 Members	1 Visitor	Total <u>45</u>
FIRESTATION	8 Members	3 Visitors	Total <u>11</u>
M.G. Parade	16 Members	0 Visitors	Total <u>16</u>
CHRISTMAS	38 Members	4 Visitors	Total 42

<sup>\*</sup>Paul KC6QLS President - First Year (Ed Felter, AI6O Vice President - First Year)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Plus 1 Skywarn Speaker

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Plus 2 Speakers

### ARCEC GENERAL MEETINGS 2005 ATTENDANCE REPORT

<b>DATE</b>	MEMBER	VISITOR	TOTAL	<u>TOPIC</u>	SPEAKER
1-13-05	37	1	38	Budget	President
2-10-05	35	4	39		
3-10-05	39	0	39		
4-14-05	32	0	32		
5-12-05	35	1	36		
6-9-05	29	1	30	Field Da	ay Vice President
7-14-05	38	0	38		
8-11-05	28	1	29		
9-8-05	35	3	38		
10-13-0	5 33	5	38		
11-10-03	5 30	0	30	Homebr	rew Contest
12-8-05	29	1	30	Election	ıs

## 2005 attendance average was 34 per meeting

FIELD DAY 6-24-05 Fri. 6-25-05 Sat. 6-26-05 Sun.	17 Members 32 Members 25 Members	0 visitors 0 visitors 0 Visitors	Total <u>17</u> Total <u>32</u> Total <u>25</u>
<u>PICNIC</u>	27 Members	0 Visitor	Total <u><b>27</b></u>
CHRISTMAS	24 Members	0 Visitors	Total 24

<sup>\*</sup>Stogie Panger KG6JCW - President - Second Year

### ARCEC GENERAL MEETINGS 2004 ATTENDANCE REPORT

DATE ME	MBER	<u>VISITOR</u>	TOTAL TOPI	<u>SPEAKER</u>
1-04				
2-04				
3-07				
4-04				
5-05				
6-04				
7-07				
8-04				
9-04				
10-14-04	35	0	35	Ann Rios KC6TBG took over as Membership Chair
11-11-04	45	9	54	Homebrew Contest
12-9-04	32	1	33	Elections

2004 attendance average is unknown as no information was provided to the new Chair

### FIELD DAY

6-04 Fri. Unknown 6-04 Sat. Unknown 6-04 Sun. Unknown

PICNIC Unknown

CHRISTMAS Unknown

<sup>\*</sup>Stogie Panger KG6JCW - President - First Year

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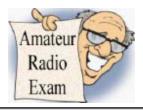


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